

United Technologies Research Center

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United Technologies

Business units

UTC Building & Industrial Systems

Sikorsky



Otis



UTC Climate, Controls & Security



Pratt & Whitney



UTC Aerospace Systems

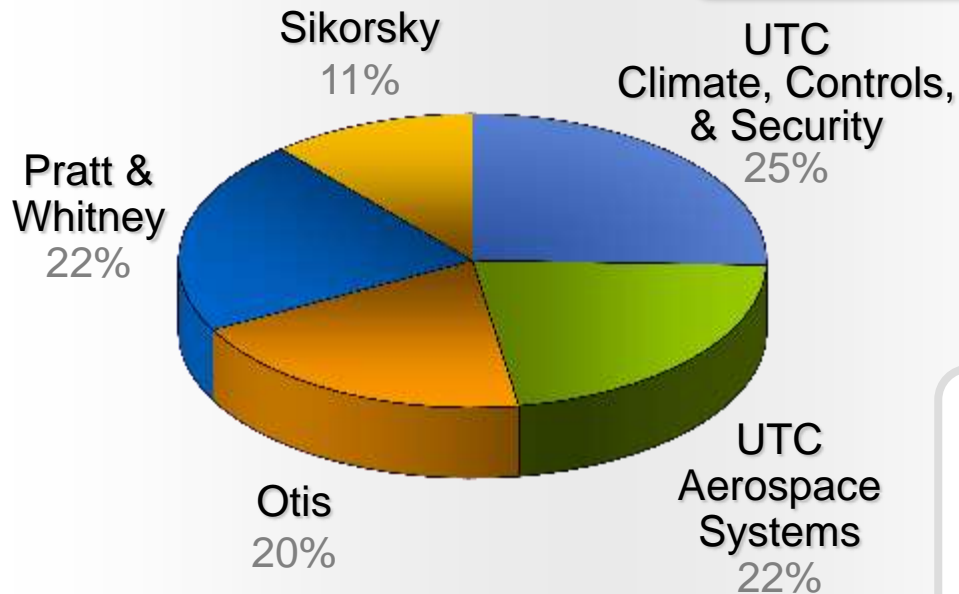


United Technologies

2014 Sales: \$65.1 billion

UTC invested \$4.8B in 2014 on company and customer funded R&D

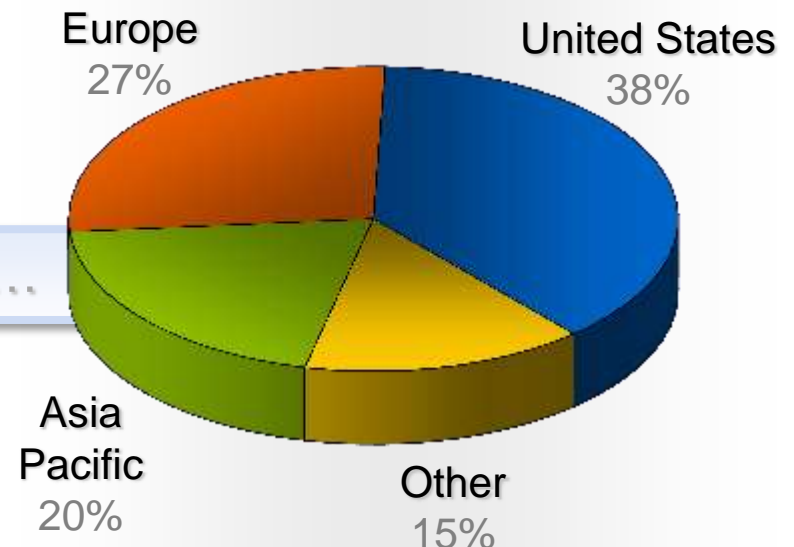
Business unit sales...



Segment...

45% Commercial & Industrial
55% Aerospace

Geographic sales...



UTRC...UTC's Innovation Engine

Defining what's next

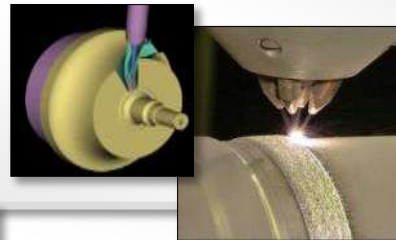
Define **new frontiers**...

AIS

Autonomous
& intelligent systems



Advanced manufacturing



Big data

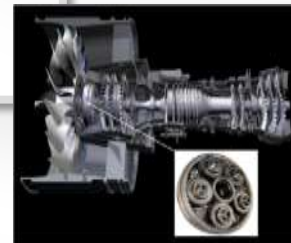


Co-develop **new technologies**...



Next Gen
centrifugal

GTF
lubrication



Solve **tough problems**...

Materials
characterization

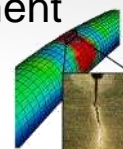


Surface topology
and wear analysis



Measurement
science

Digital imaging
strain analysis



Failure
analysis

Scattering
to measure
residual stress

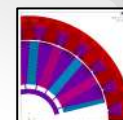
Serve as hub for **technical interchange**...

Tech
scouting



Rare
Earth
Magnets

REM
workshops



Leverage **global network of innovation**...

Monetize UTC **intellectual property**...



Alternative
markets

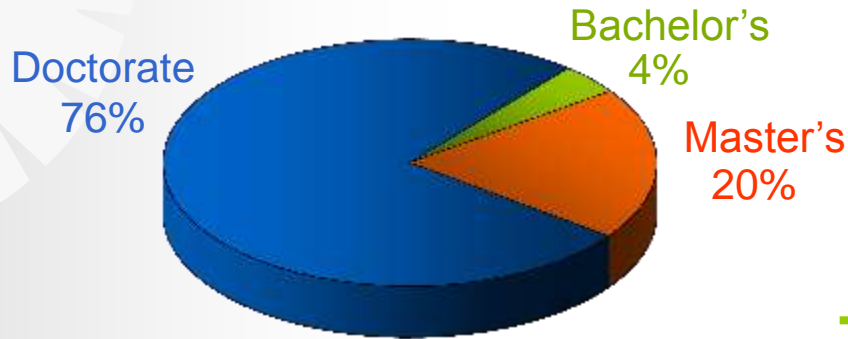


New
business models



Our People...

96% of our technical staff have advanced degrees



global diversity...

~ 600 employees representing approximately 40 different countries

More than 400 technical employees;
76% hold Ph.D.s

excellence
in innovation

UTRC Organization

Program Offices



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Otis



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(Acting)
Pratt & Whitney



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Sikorsky



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Development



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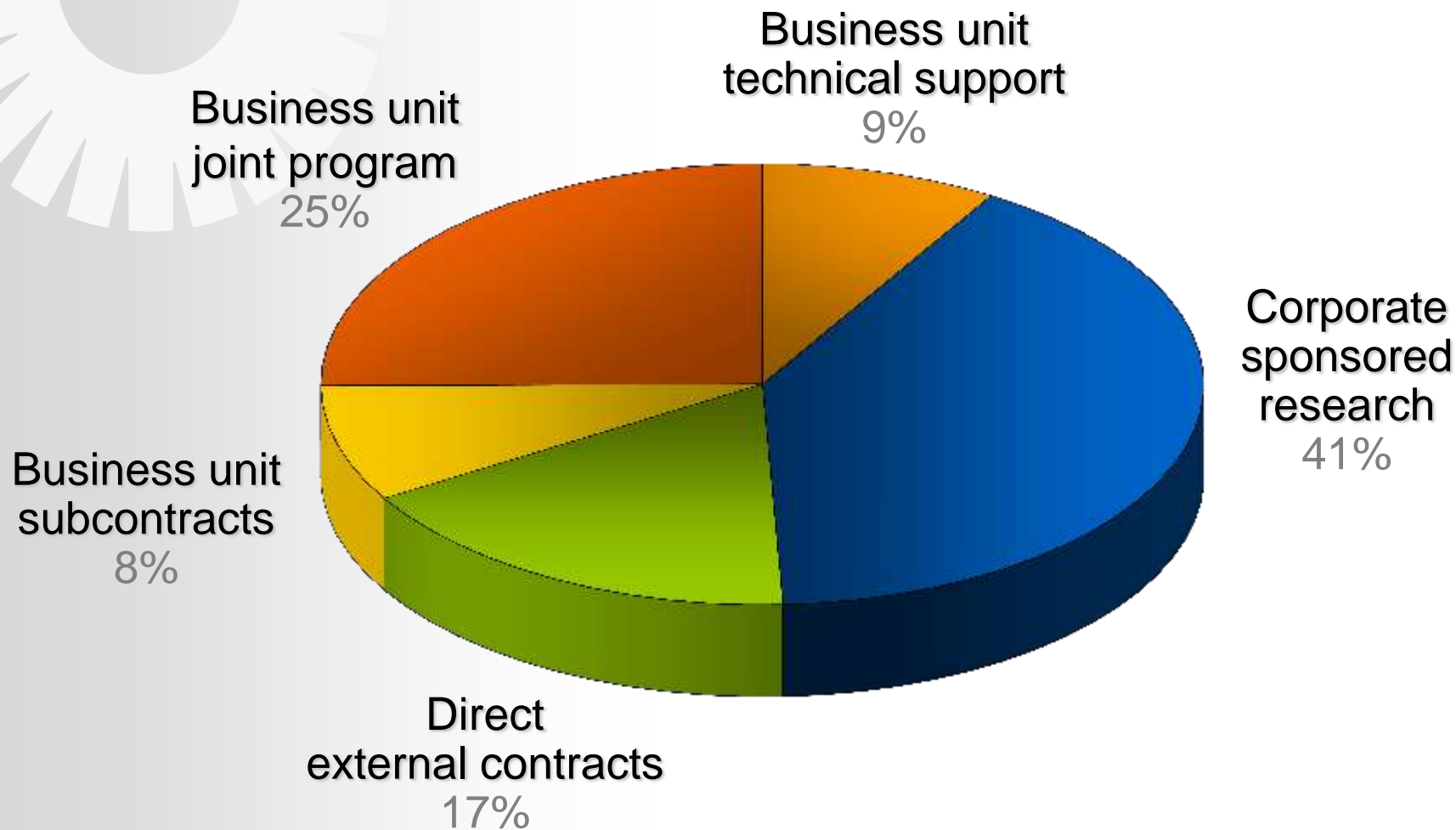


Sue Gilbert
Human Resources



Greg Stephenson
Law

Source of Funding

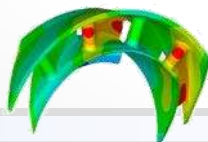


Department Capabilities

Physical Sciences...

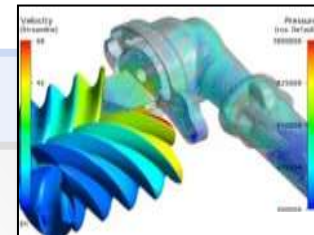


Applied physics
Advanced materials
Measurement science
Chemistry
Mechanics



Thermal & Fluid Sciences...

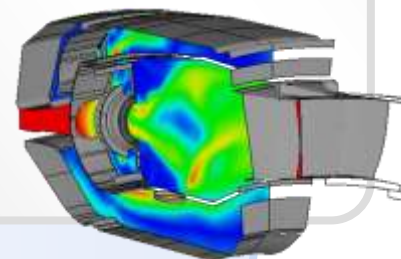
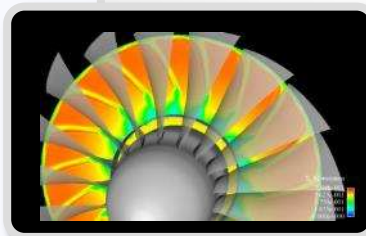
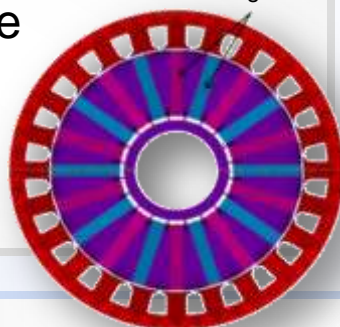
Acoustics
Aerodynamics
Combustion
Applied fluid dynamics
Thermal management



Systems...

Cyber physical systems
Dynamical systems and control
Embedded intelligence
Decision support
Power electronics

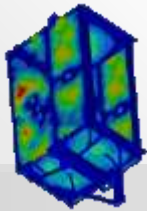
Ferrite
magnets



Systems Department

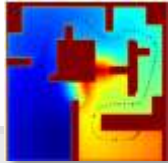
System Dynamics & Optimization

- Uncertainty quantification and propagation
- Multi-scale system modeling
- Mathematics on graphs, computational mathematics



Topology optimization

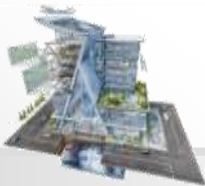
Path planning



Control Systems

- Adaptive, multi-variable and predictive controls
- Control in presence of uncertainty
- Data driven adaptive controls

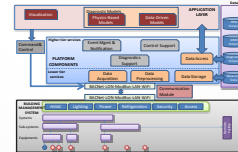
Model predictive control for HVAC



Embedded Systems & Networks

- Software engineering
- Scalable hardware and software architectures
- Communications, wireless and energy harvesting

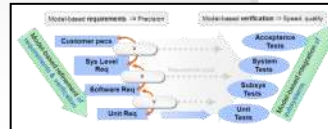
Building services platform



Wireless communication and controls

Cyber Physical Systems

- Formal methods, verification and validation, code synthesis
- Embedded Intelligence
- Advanced planning and reasoning

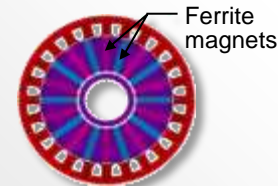


Power Electronics

- High density converters
- High temperature-high frequency devices
- Converter topologies
- Low REM machine design



Universal power module: Power Brick



Otis GreenPower Machine

REM – rare earth materials



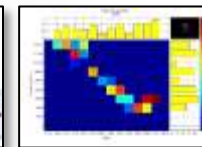
5-D magnetic bearings

Decision Support & Machine Intelligence

- Data-based models, data mining, machine learning
- Diagnostics, prognostics, PHM
- Sensor fusion
- Human machine interaction



Building diagnostics



PHM – prognostics and health management

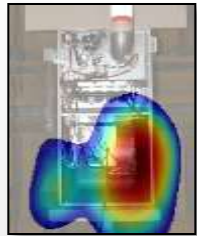


PHM for gearbox

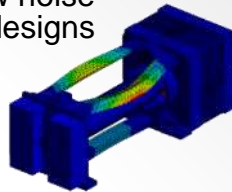
Thermal & Fluid Sciences Department

Acoustics

Noise and vibration diagnostics, modeling, and control

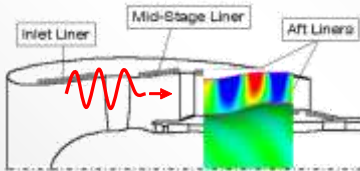


Low noise designs



N&V diagnostics

High fidelity computational modeling



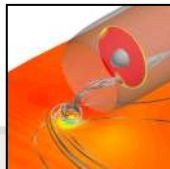
Aerodynamics

Fluid mechanics of gaseous flows

Applied aerodynamics



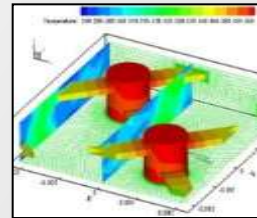
Computational fluid dynamics



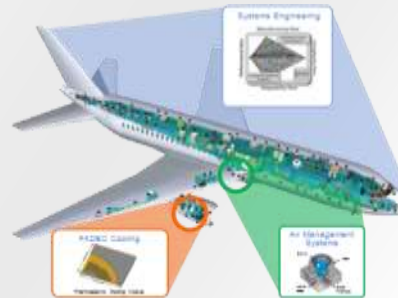
Thermal Fluid Dynamics and Thermal Management



Energy recovery



Heat and mass transfer

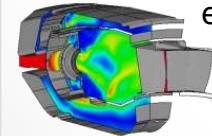


System analysis and optimization

Combustion

Dynamics and chemistry of reactive, multi-phase flows

Performance and emissions



Fire suppression



Dynamics

Sprays



High speed propulsion



Aero-thermal Testing

Experimental model validation and component performance

Aerodynamics



Spray characterization



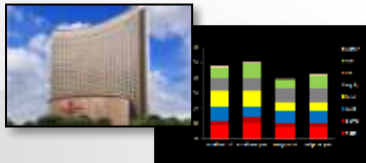
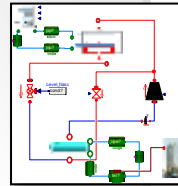
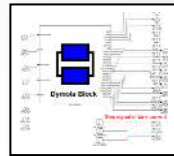
High and low Mn combustion



UTRC China Capabilities and Research Areas

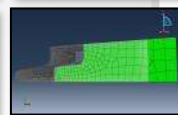
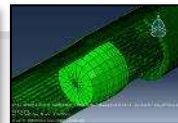
Thermal and Building Systems

- Thermo-fluid systems dynamic modeling
- Environmentally friendly refrigerants and cycles
- Integrated building/HVAC modeling
- Building diagnostics



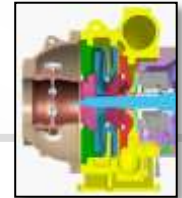
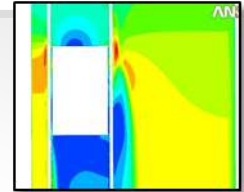
Mechanical Systems

- Solid mechanics
- Finite element modeling
- Machining modeling
- Supply chain optimization



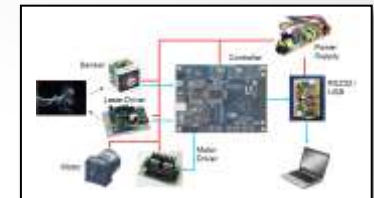
Fluid Dynamics

- Turbo-machinery design and analysis
- HVAC component optimization
- Building air/reactive flow modeling
- UTCFD applications



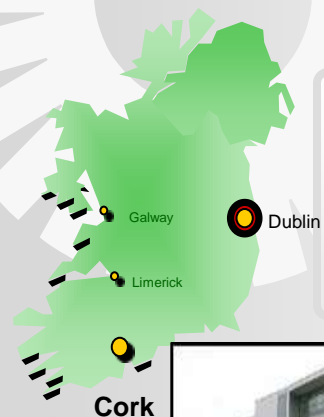
Decision and Control Systems

- Video analytics
- Data mining
- Controls
- Embedded systems
- Software engineering



UTRC Ireland

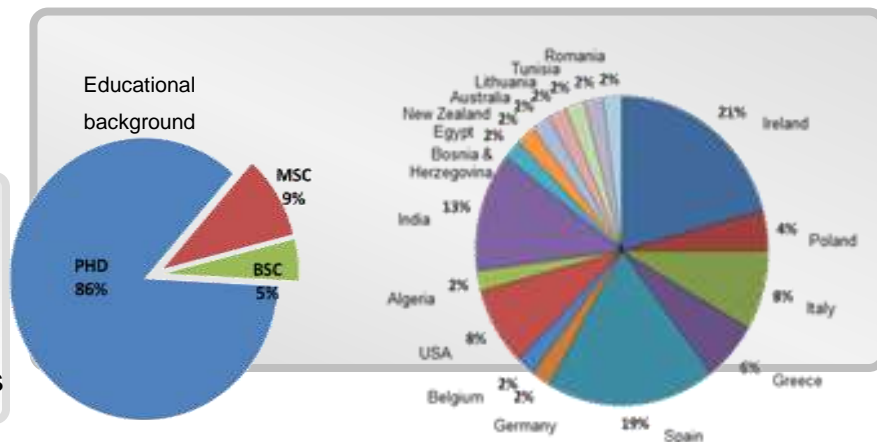
Est. 2010 in Cork



Objectives...

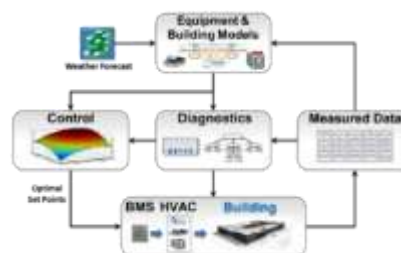
- Hub for European interactions
- Leverage European talent and investments opportunities in ICT
- Support commercial & aerospace UTC BUS

Highly skilled and diverse workforce



Technical capabilities and Groups

Controls & Decision Support



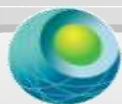
Networks & Embedded Systems



System Modelling & Power Electronics



Network of national and EU resources



Insight – Centre for Data Analytics



SFI – Research Centres



Lero – Software Engineering Research Centre



Connect – Communication Networks Research Centre



Technical Capabilities

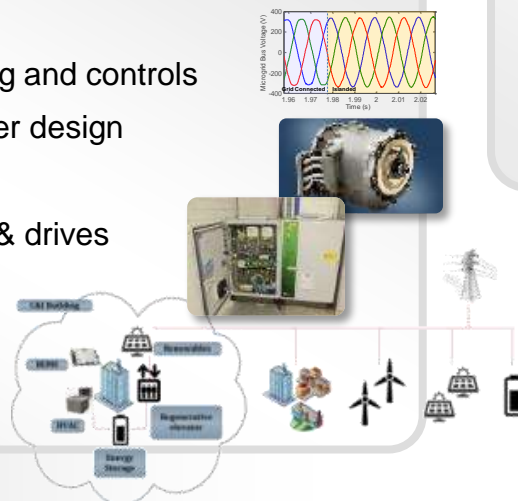
Controls & Decision support

- Model-based control design
- Optimization-based control
- Fault detection and diagnostics
- Data analytics for alarm management
- Data- and physics-based diagnostics
- Thermal system modeling
- Video analytics



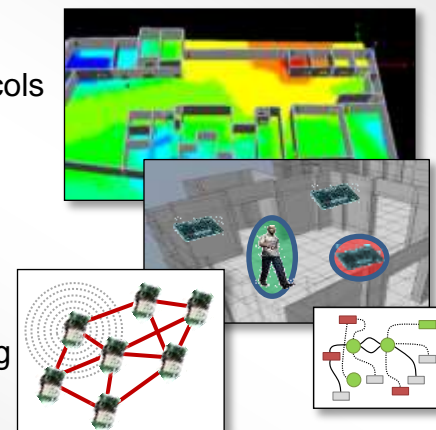
Power Electronics

- Hierarchical system modeling and controls
- Model-based power converter design
- Electric motor optimization
- Digital control of converters & drives
- Power quality analysis
- Grid estimation & emulation
- HiL / rapid prototyping



Networks & Embedded Systems

- Sensor networks
- Communications protocols
- Model-based design
- Formal methods
- Embedded systems
- Software engineering
- Constraint programming



EU R&D Framework

Early impact on R&D programs through memberships and networks

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Memberships and networks



European
Organisation for
Security



Energy Efficient
Buildings
Association



Smart Energy
Demand
Coalition



Smart Cities
Stakeholder
Platform



Ireland National
Contact Points
(ICT, Energy, Security,
Aerospace, NMP)



UTIO Brussels



Artemis-IA

Impact

EU Legislation

EU Research Strategy

Industry Roadmaps

R&D Programs

Funding Call Texts

Consortium Formation

Key Initiatives

Advanced Manufacturing

Reinventing design space for new material design, process, manufacturability, logistics, and life cycle



Autonomy

Advancing software architecture, and perception for collaborative autonomous platforms



Service Technologies

Human-centered design
Cloud-based analytics
Cyber-physical security



Advanced Manufacturing

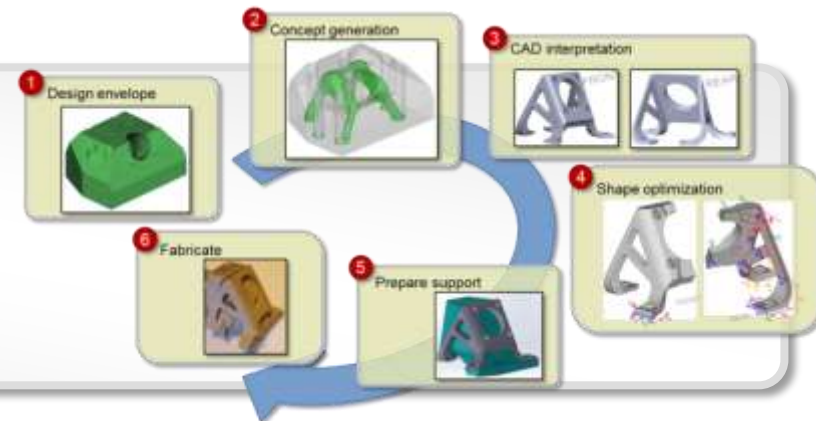
Topology Optimization

Topology Optimized Design
Methodology for Additive
Manufacturing

Current part design:
• uneven stress distribution
• premature failure



Final design:
• 75% reduction in stress
• 20% reduction in weight



Cold Spray

- Superior material properties
- Highest deposition rates
- Multiple material deposition
- Limited to line-of-sight processing
- Lower geometric fidelity



Direct Write

- Potential for wide variety of geometries
- Excellent resolution depending on technique
- Functional materials primary focus
- Multiple material deposition



Filament-based
and aerosol jet



Actuators,
motors
and MEMS

Sensors
and arrays



The Role of Autonomy

State-of-the-art in autonomy to mission/operational-level capabilities

Integration and validation

- Hardware-in-the-loop simulation
- Human machine interaction



HiLSIM
HMI

Rapid prototyping

- Low cost flight research
- Individual algorithm assessment
- Heterogeneous platforms



Flight test

- Optionally piloted vehicle/
unmanned aircraft systems
demonstrator
- Rapid software mods
- Validate, verify and certification



Revolutionary products
and services
with trusted autonomy



internal

World class expertise
and leading-edge ideas

Carnegie Mellon

Penn
University of Pennsylvania



MIT

external

Georgia Institute of Technology

CALTECH

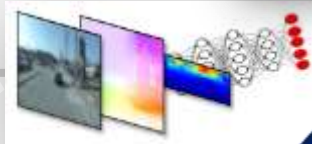
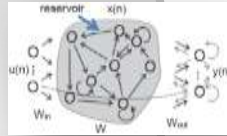


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Service Technologies Initiative

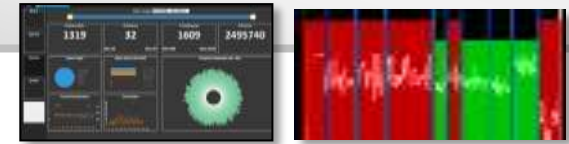
Analytics/Big Data

- Scalable algorithms and data management
- Distributed analytics (cloud, GPU)
- Data fusion



Decision support and integration

- Analytics to Action: Policy Mapping
- Robust scalable architecture
- Integrated Analytics / HMI optimized tool chain



Interactive machine learning-learning experts' knowledge

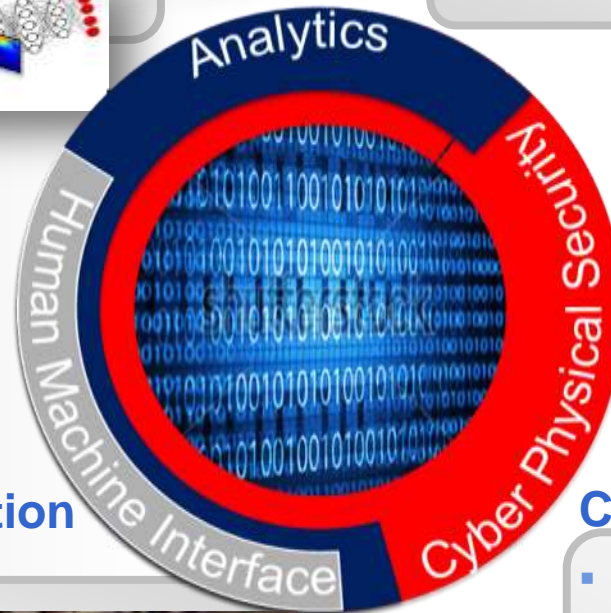
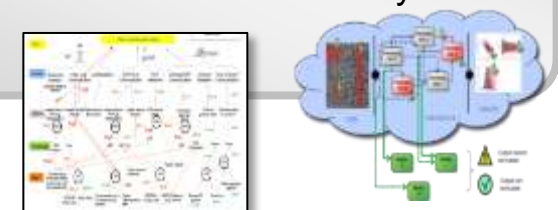
Human Machine Interaction / User Experience

- User-centered design
- Adaptive user interfaces
- Augmented reality for field operators



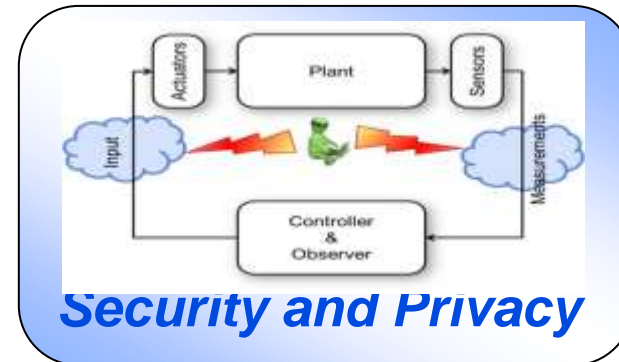
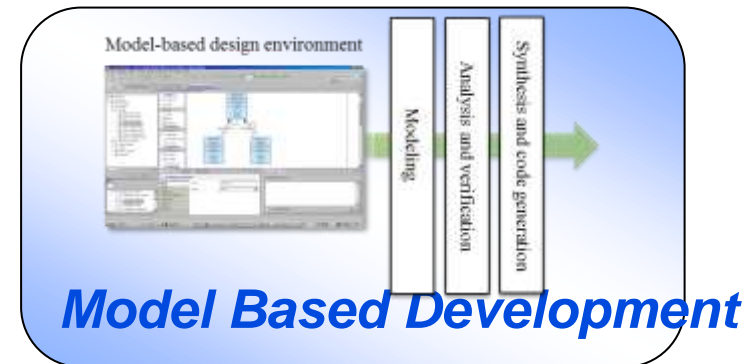
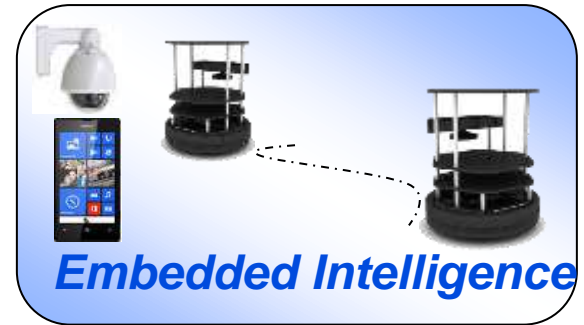
Cyber Physical Security

- Secure Software
- Trusted and secure embedded systems
- Trusted Service and Privacy



Cyber-Physical Systems Group

- Enabling Predictable Design and Reliable Operation of Intelligent Systems-of-Systems
 - Embedded Intelligence, advanced reasoning
 - Perception and robotics
 - Model-Based Design and Verification: languages, design and analysis tools
 - Security & Privacy
- Key technical activities
 - Requirements Analysis
 - Contract-Based Design
 - Distributed Intelligent Agents
 - Sequential Decision Making
 - Security & Privacy in distributed and cloud-based systems



UTC Complex Systems

Integrated Building Systems

Integrated
high-performance building systems

Increase occupant comfort,
safety, and security,
while reducing energy usage
and operating costs



Aerospace



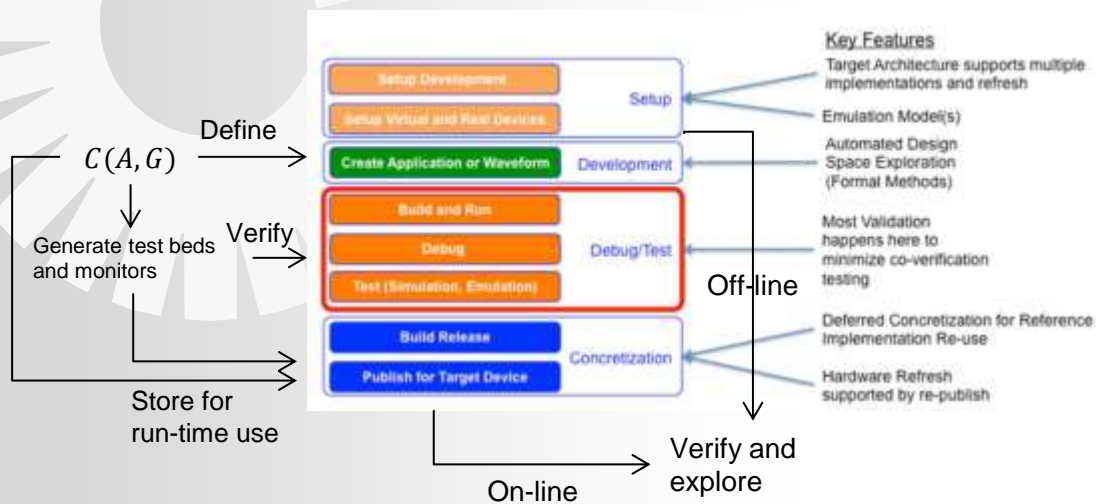
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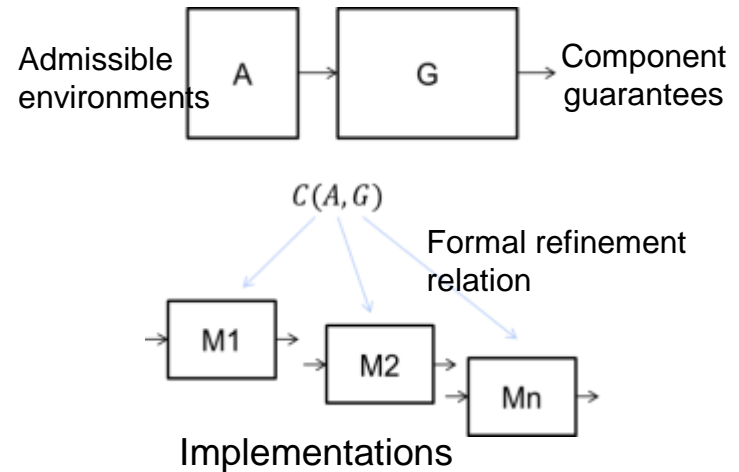
- Heterogeneous systems
- Designed by different organizations
- Operated by different organizations
- Corresponding Human-Machine Integration challenges
- Different key performance indexes and cost points

Communication in Contested Environments

Contract-based development and deployment of communication systems



Component contract



Phase 1 : Language definition for static interfaces; editors; ontology and templates for C2E application; integration with the rest of the development environment; verification and generation of monitors/test bed.

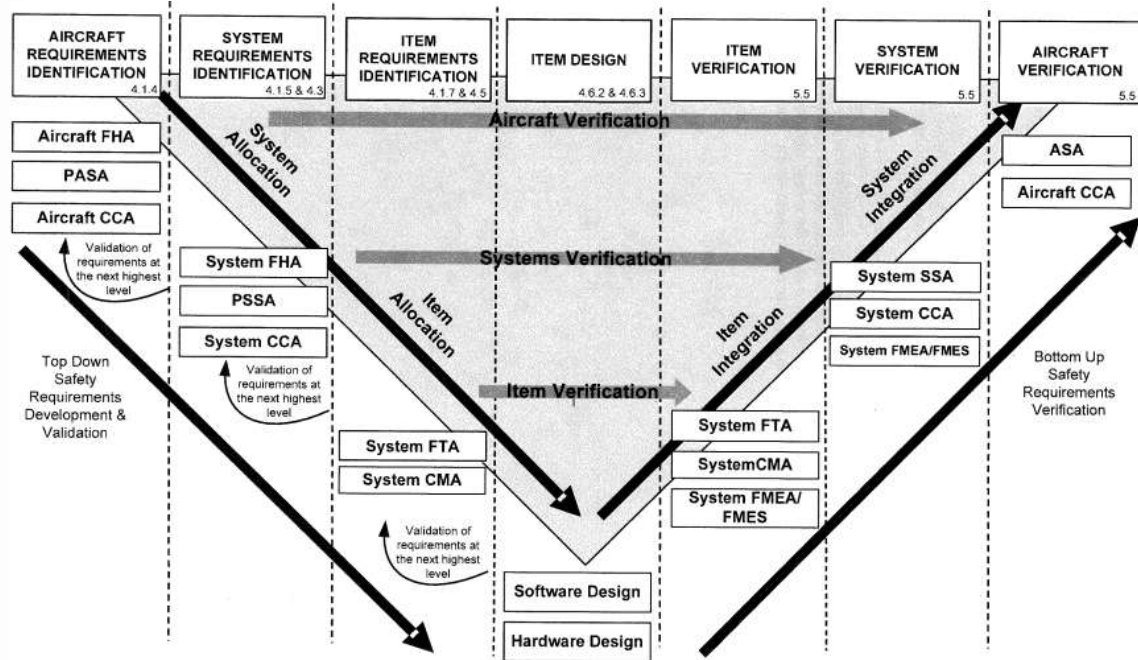
Phase 2 : Run-time services for discovery, negotiation and reconfiguration

Phase 3 : Language extension for dynamic interfaces (state machines); verification and monitor/test bed generation; Design space exploration tools

Validation and Verification

- Verification: Are we building the system right?
 - Can start when some design items are available
 - Traditionally in full-force when most items are available
- Validation: Are we building the right system?
 - Can start when requirements are forming

ARP4754A and DO-178C Processes



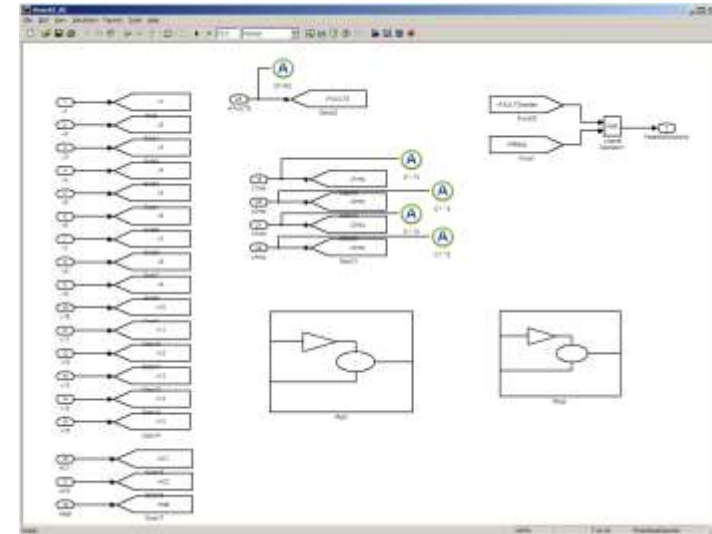
- The cost to discover and correct a requirement (or design) problem increases dramatically in later stages of design

Claudio Pinello, Cong Liu, Eelco Scholte, Alberto Ferrari, "First things first: a case for rigorous requirements analysis", invited panel talk ESWEEK 2013

Model Based Design and Requirements Analysis

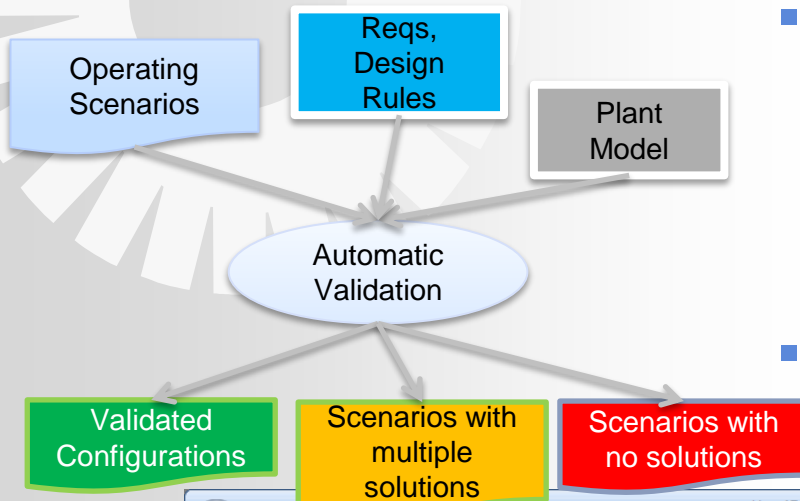
From natural language to models

- Model the plant + control structure, enough detail to state requirements precisely, not more.
- Model the requirements as constraints on the control variables
- Resist temptation to model the solution (operational models)
 - Might mask requirements conflicts, might implicitly fill-in missing assumptions, etc...
- Examples:
 - Heating and Cooling shall not be provided simultaneously to the same zone: NOT (z2.heated AND z2.cooled)
 - Zone z1 shall never be heated: NOT z1.heated
- Ambiguity: does “heated” include heat from adjacent zones? If so, how many “hops” count? How about “fresh air”?
 - Formalization forces disambiguation



Consistency and Determinism Analysis

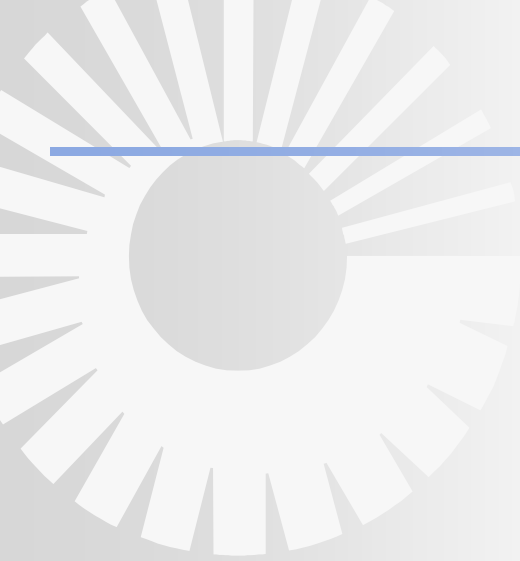
Validating the requirements



- Ask: does there exist at least one actuator solution for each possible input request?
 - No solution → conflicting requirements or insufficient plant redundancy
 - Multiple solutions → possible under-specification
- Leverage Simulink verification frameworks, e.g. FormalSpecs Verifier (UTSCE/ALES)

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with the following data:

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Design Methods, Architectures, Tools and Algorithms for AIS

AUTONOMOUS AND INTELLIGENT SYSTEMS

Autonomous Intelligent Systems:

From following instructions to achieving goals

- To be useful, intelligent systems need to accommodate high-level declarative objectives
 - “Search Zone A for intruders” vs
“Move to (19.23, 89.97); scan-thermal; Move to (19.95, 92.42); detect motion;...”
 - “Direct people to theater exits” vs
“activate signage XY; if main_hall_crowded, activate signage XZ; dispatch elevator...”
 - “Do my laundry” vs
“Pick sock at (2,3,1); Place into basket at (12,3,1), ...”
 - “Deliver supplies to ship XY, while avoiding threats”



Sequential Decision Making: Example

Initial state



Actions (with models of effects):

- Open, close washer
- Move to table, laundry area
- Pick, place clothes/basket
- Locate clothes (vision)

Feasible/optimal
sequence?

Goal state



- Agent needs to deal with uncertainty in
 - Observations: Cannot detect exact number of dirty clothes in a heap,
 - Action effects: Pinch grasp results in picking an unknown number of clothes
- Behavior not prescribed; needs to be computed and executed
- Distributed agents need to exchange knowledge, objectives, and plans. And need to coordinate executions. Need to gracefully update plans when resources and agents are added/removed.

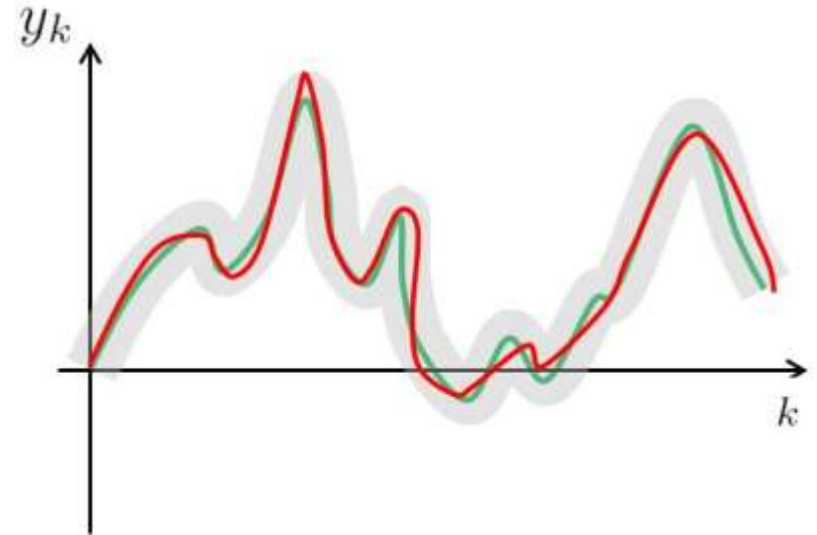
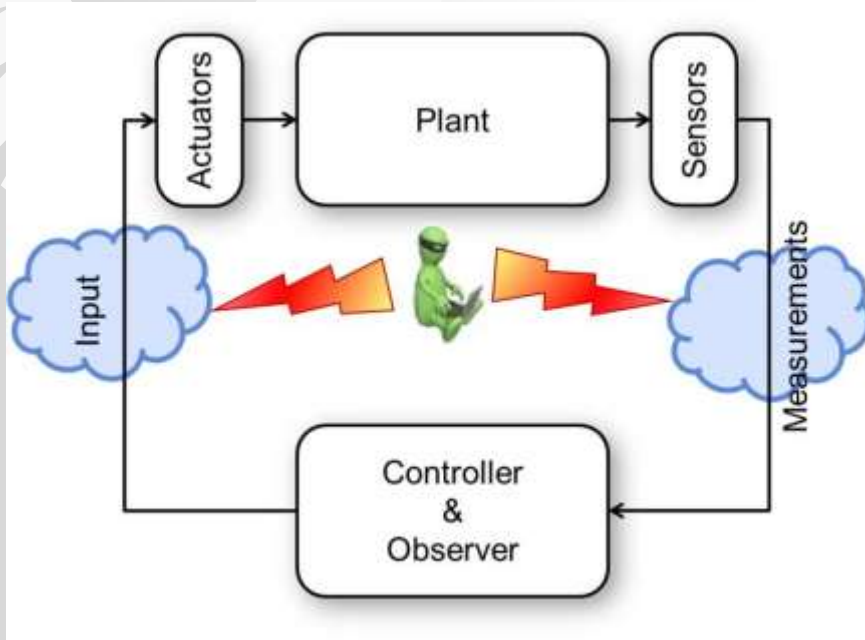




SYSTEM-THEORETIC METHODS FOR SECURE CONTROL OR COMPUTATION

Motivation (I): Secure Control

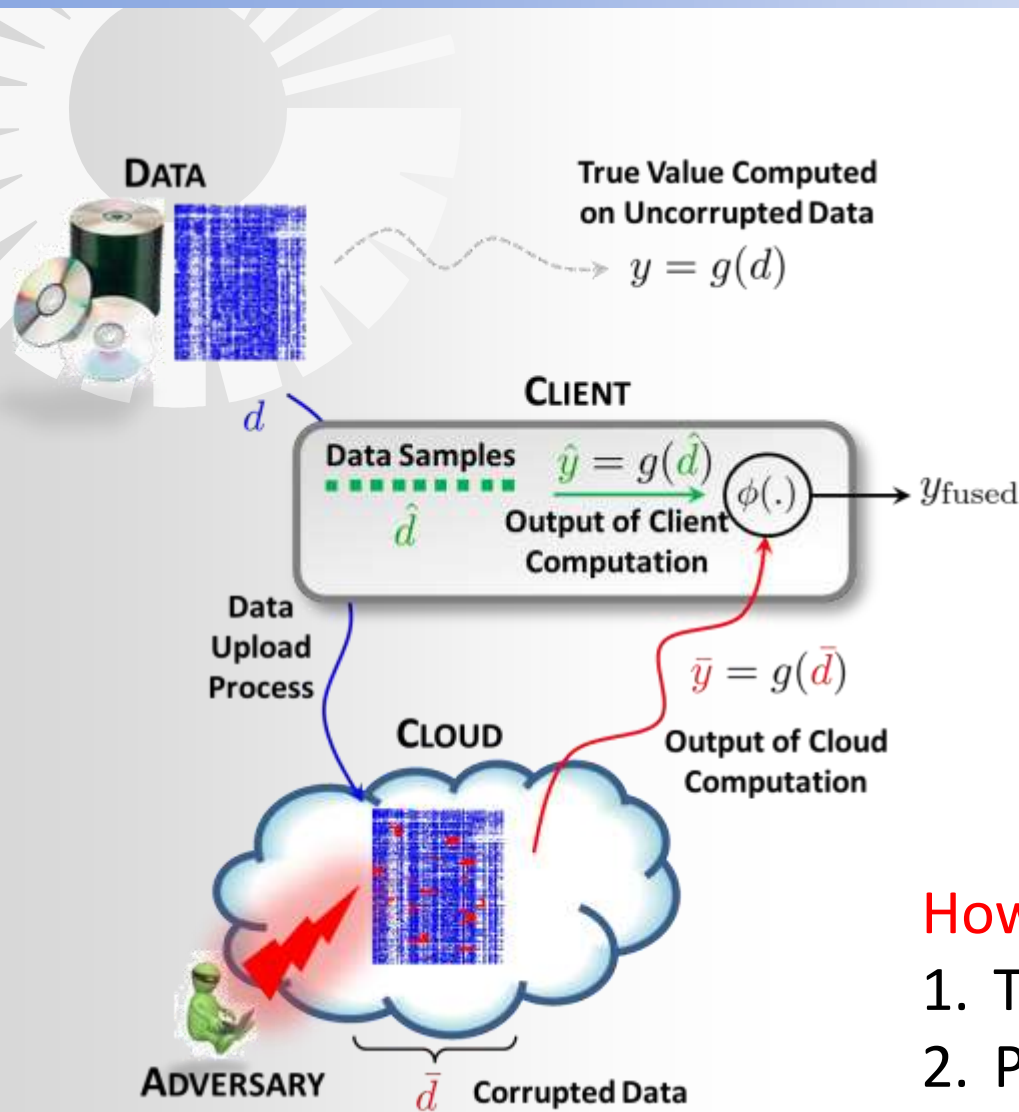
Stealth Attack: Coordinated manipulation of inputs and measurements



Classic cases: Stuxnet, Water Network in Australia, Tram system in Poland

Design principles to deny existence of/reveal stealth attacks

Motivation (II): Trusted Computation

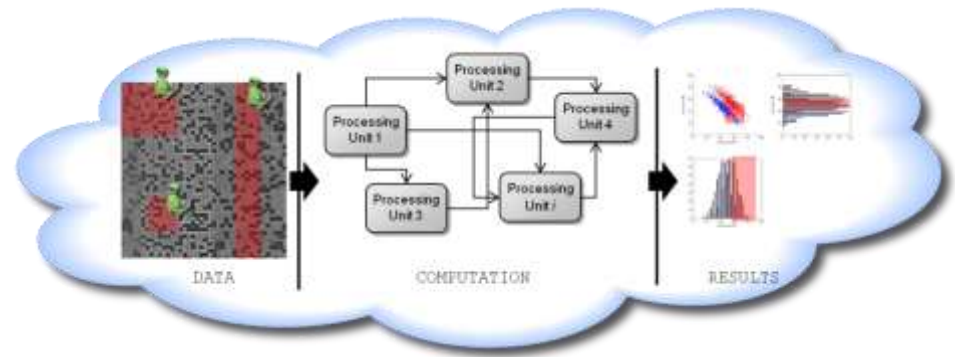
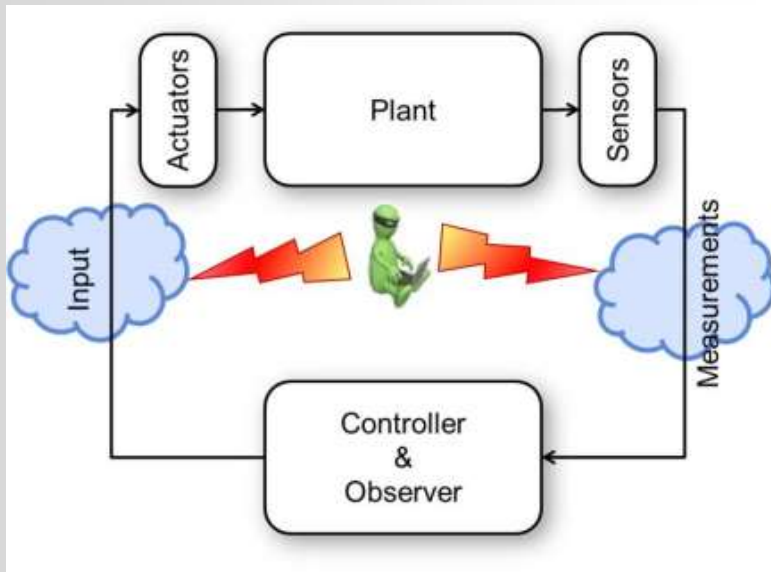


How to balance:

1. Trusted but approximate value
2. Possibly Poisoned Cloud Output

Practical Considerations

- Legacy Systems
- Lack of Attacker Models
- Attack Likelihood versus Impact



Guiding Principles...

- UTC and its business units are our primary customers.
- We deliver on our promises yet are willing to take risks on ideas.
- Research is our core business, from discovery to demonstration.
- Our role is to deliver technology options, not new products.
- Technical excellence AND business impact is our objective.
- Agility is our hallmark; the world will continue to change.
- Our people are our *primary asset; it is all about talent.*